

Page 6, after line 16, insert the following paragraph:

B2 -- Other objects and features of the present invention will become apparent from the following detailed description considered in conjunction with the accompanying drawings. It is to be understood, however, that the drawings are intended solely for purposes of illustration and not as a definition of the limits of the invention, for which reference should be made to the appended claims.--

Page 14, delete lines 34 and 35.

Page 15, delete lines 1 to 4.

Page 15, after line 4, insert the following paragraph:

B3 --Thus, while there have been shown and described and pointed out fundamental novel features of the present invention as applied to preferred embodiments thereof, it will be understood that various omissions and substitutions and changes in the form and details of the devices described and illustrated, and in their operation, and of the methods described may be made by those skilled in the art without departing from the spirit of the present invention. For example, it is expressly intended that all combinations of those elements and/or method steps which perform substantially the same function in substantially the same way to achieve the same results are within the scope of the invention. Substitutions of elements from one described embodiment to another are also fully intended and contemplated. It is the intention, therefore, to be limited only as indicated by the scope of the claims appended hereto.--

Page 16, line 2, delete "Claims" and substitute therefor --What is claimed is:--.

#### IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 5 to 6 and 13 to 16 have been amended to read as follows:

(AMENDED)

B4 5. The method according to claim 3, wherein for each adjacent sector (CS1 to CS8) a plurality of start propagation values (SPV1\_1 to SPV1\_5) are used and an average of said plurality of start propagation values (SPV1\_1 to SPV1\_5) is used as the basis for said search strategy.